

1 A MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY THE
3 FEASIBILITY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A VISION ZERO PLAN FOR
4 STATE-OWNED AND -MAINTAINED ROADWAYS IN NEW MEXICO WITH THE
5 GOAL OF ZERO VEHICLE-RELATED DEATHS OR SERIOUS INJURIES BY THE
6 END OF CALENDAR YEAR 2030.

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8 WHEREAS, in 2021, there were four hundred seventy
9 traffic fatalities on New Mexico roads, according to the
10 department of transportation; and

11 WHEREAS, the most common contributing factors to fatal
12 accidents in New Mexico are speeding, aggressive driving and
13 distracted driving; and

14 WHEREAS, zero vehicle-related deaths and serious
15 injuries on New Mexico roadways would be a commendable goal;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
17 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department
18 of transportation be requested to develop a vision zero plan
19 for state-owned and -maintained roadways in New Mexico; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vision zero plan be
21 requested to achieve an annual traffic safety record with zero
22 vehicle-related deaths or serious injuries by the end of
23 calendar year 2030; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vision zero plan be
25 requested to include recommendations for amendments to the

1 Motor Vehicle Code or other laws in order to achieve the
2 vision zero goals and an evaluation framework that measures
3 the effectiveness of vision zero efforts, including
4 transportation projects intended to reduce traffic fatalities
5 and serious injuries; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vision zero plan be
7 requested to consider the creation of a position of "vision
8 zero coordinator" within the department of transportation;
9 and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on or before October 31,
11 2023, the secretary of transportation report on the status of
12 the vision zero plan to the appropriate interim legislative
13 committee concerning transportation, the legislative finance
14 committee and the governor; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
16 transmitted to the secretary of transportation, the chair of
17 the legislative finance committee and the governor. _____

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